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HIKES AND PROGRAMS rev. 0

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To provide quality programs we limit the number of participants. Program times vary. Please call 515-5367 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM for times and reservations. If unable to attend a program, your cancellation is appreciated. Parents must accompany children on all programs.

*Please note that the conservation area is a Federal Fee Area and all entry or recreation fees apply.

We would like to warmly thank our volunteers for their dedicated contributions to the monthly Red Rock Canyon hikes and programs.

Hikes

Sun. 1st, White Rock Loop: Join George on this 6mile hike for all levels of hiker. It's enjoyable and a great way to exercise. Breathe taking views around White Rock Mountain. Easy/ Moderate.

Mon. 2nd, 9th, 16th, Monday at the Rock:

2nd Pine Creek is a favorite for many hikers. Make it yours too as we add in the South Fork of Pine Creek along Mescalito with Jen to enjoy the sounds of a gurgling stream, and the part it plays in nature at Red Rock. Moderate, 4 miles.

9th Hike up to the Muffins with Jen to see the fossil remnants of oceanic times. Moderate, 3-4 miles.

16th Come hike close to the escarpment with Jen along the Arnight. Be on the lookout for bighorn sheep. Moderate, 5-6 miles.

Tues 3rd, Blue Diamond and Cottonwood Valley" - Join Chris on a gorgeous hike around the ridge behind the community of Blue Diamond, passing a spring on the way back. Moderate 5-6 mi.

Fri. 6th Ice Box Canyon: Hike with Claire and enjoy the beauty and variety of the desert on the way to an awesome canyon. See where a potential amount of water can flow and how the canyon got its name. Moderate/strenuous 2-4 miles depending on ice and water ! Ages 16 and over.

Sat. 7th, Keystone Thrust: Join Pat and see one of Red Rock's more interesting geological features, the Keystone Thrust. See rock examples where two different eras collided long ago along a fault line. Ages 10+. Moderate, 4 miles.

Sun 8th Fossil Ridge: This is an easy hike with George which has a great view of the Escarpment Why is Fossil Ridge gray and not colored as the sandstone across the road? What desert is Red Rock in? Easy 3 miles.

Tues. 10th "Escarpment Base Trail " : Join Chris for a hike that follows four different trails along the base of the escarpment and end at Lost Creek. Carpooling is required. Mod/Strenuous; 6-7 mi.

Wed. 11th: Lost Creek and Beyond: Join Janis for an easy-to-moderate hike around Lost Creek, where we might see some wildlife. 2-3 mile

Sat 14th Footprints Join Ranger Jim while we track the wild beasts of Red Spring and take a look at the local critter highways. Easy , ½ mile Kid friendly (ages 8 and up)

Tues. 17th; Grey Cap Peak: Hike with Chris from Sandstone Quarry around the Calico Hills, then up Gateway Canyon to the sandstone approach to the peak. There is a lot of rock scrambling with a 1500 ft. elevation gain. Strenuous 6 mi
LIMITED SPACE

Sat. 20th, Pine Creek: Join Pat on a loop through Pine Creek. We hope to see wild life and will stop at the homestead. Moderate, 3-4 miles. Ages 12+

Fri. 20th, Dale's Trail/SMYC: Join Claire for this rolling 6-miles hike along the scenic escarpment of Red Rock Canyon. This hike will begin at Pine Creek's trailhead, taking Dales trail and the SMYC trail to Lost Creek. Carpool back to Pine Creek. Moderate, 4.5 miles.

Sat. 21st, La Madre Spring : Join Pat and explore the history of those who lived in this beautiful area between the White Rock Hills and the La Madre Mountains. Moderate 3 mi. LIMITED SPACE (Age 10 and up)

Sat. 21st, Calico Hills: Join Peppe on a tour through the Calico Hills, making a loop from Calico 2 to the tanks. Rock scrambling. Moderate, Strenuous 5 miles. Ages 16+

Sunday, 22 Cave Canyon: Join George and explore the cave in the Cave Canyon. Don't forget to **bring a flashlight**. If you don't like enclosed places, this is NOT the hike for you. Elev. Gain, 300 ft. Moderate: 3 mi. Rock Scrambling.
LIMITED SPACE

Tues. 24th; Red Cap: Join Chris on this classic scramble to the top of the red peak at the north end of the Calico Hills. Elev. Gain 900 ft. STRENUOUS; 3 mi.

Tues 24th, Keystone Thrust: Join Keystone Aaron on this hike to the colorful Keystone Thrust. Along the way we will stop at a scenic ridge top and explore the wash around the Keystone Thrust. Moderate; 3 mi. *Limited Space*

Fri. 27th, Exploring Calico Tanks: Join Aaron on this hike and scramble through the sandstone hills on our way to Calico Tanks. Moderate, 3 mi. *Limited Space*

Sat 28th, SMYC Trail: Join Pat on an exciting hike along the escarpment and look for animals. Moderate; 3 mi. *Limited Space(ages 16 and up)*

Sat. 28th Springs Hike: Come with Bob on this beautiful and exciting hike that will focus on the geology, wildflowers, and animals found at some of Red Rock Canyon's springs. Easy 3 mi. *Limited Space*

Sat 28th, Red Spring Scramble: Rock Spring Scramble- Rock scramble with Peppe in Calico basin up to the ridgeline, down to the wash, and back on the trail. Mod. To Stren: 4 miles (age 18 and up)

Visitor Center programs : (No sign up required for these programs)

Tues. 3rd, Bats in our Belfry: Go batty with Ranger Jim and learn about the mammal man has tried to emulate. This is an on-going program at the Visitor Center from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. No sign-up required.

Tues 10th, Tort Talks- Join Janis for some interesting facts about Nevada's State Reptile, the Desert Tortoise. No-sign up required. 10-12 noon.

Tues 10th Predators of southern Nevada: Join Ranger Jim and learn about the wild things of Southern Nevada. This program will be conducted once per hour. (1-4 pm)

Sun. 15th Features and Fun- Start your exploring day off with an overview of scenic highlights, fun things to do, and interesting animals. (10 am and 11 am)

Tues. 17th, Geology of Southern Nevada: Join Ranger Jim for a power point discussion on the geology of Red Rock Canyon. On-going at the Visitor Center from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. No sign-up required.

Tues. 24th, Euro-cultural Impacts of Red Rock Canyon: Join Ranger Jim for a power point presentation and discussion on the history of Red Rock Canyon at the Visitor Center. No sign-up required, on-going from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM.

Sat 28th, Reptiles Join Ranger Jim for a insight on the reptiles of Red Rock Canyon. Do you need to be afraid?
1-4 pm on-going.

Kid programs

Fri. 6th Let's Go Green Together: Come to Red Rock Canyon with your 5- 10 year olds for a fun and interactive program with Missy about the importance of recycling. Children will learn different simple ways to save our planet with hands-on activities, a craft and so much more. Let's become earth friendly. Limited space.

Fri 13th Desert Smarts: Come to Red Rock Canyon with your 5-10 year olds for a fun and interactive program with Missy about desert survival skills. Children will learn different simple survival skills with hands-on activities, a craft and so much more. Limited space

Sat. 14th, Jr. Naturalists: Kids will love to come to Red Rock for a fun program with Jen about the venomous valentines in the Mojave Desert. Participants will get to learn cool facts, hear a story and complete a special art project. Ages 2-5, *limited space*.

Sat 21, Torts for Tots: Come to Red Rock Canyon with your 2-6 year olds for a fun and interactive program with Missy about the desert tortoise. Children will learn interesting facts, do hands-on activities and discover how amazing Nevada's state reptile really is! Limited space.

Sun. 22: Desert Dudes: Tracking Wildlife one step at a time: Jr. Explorers 6-10 yrs old are invited to join Ranger Gina with activities and games to discover the wildlife of Red Rock Canyon. Sign up taken *Limited Space*

Mon 24, Stories from the Stones: Stop by the Visitor Center and Join Jen to hear stories about eh mischievous coyote. Children can participate in a quick craft to take home. (10-12 noon) no sign up.

Sat 28th Beautiful Butterflies: Come out to Red Rock with your 5-10 yr. old for a fun and interactive program about butterflies with Missy. Children will learn a hands-on activity, a craft and so much more. *Limited space*

Other programs

Fri. 5th, 12th, 26th Red Rock Up Close: Take a close look at the flora, fauna or geology of Red Rock and the surrounding Mojave Desert during this presentation at Visitor Center. On-going from 1 pm to 3 pm. No sign-up required.

Sun. 1th & 15th Mountain Bike Madness: No experience is necessary for this introductory mountain bike ride with Jen and John starting from the Late Night parking area. The 6 miler will be a great way to start new to the sport or dust off an old frame. **Helmets are required.** Ages 10+, *limited space. Rental bike information available by calling 515-5350* (permites authorized by the BLM)*

Thurs. 12th and Fri 27th , Canyon Clean-up: Join Janis and help keep Red Rock beautiful by picking up trash on one of the trails. Have fun, volunteer and meet great people! Easy.

Saturday 14th: Astronomy Night : Our first view into the sky for the new year ! Join us to discover the real stars of the Mojave Desert and try out your new telescope with the Las Vegas Astronomy Club. No sign up necessary. Please call for location. 515-5350

Programs outside of Red Rock Canyon NCA*

Saturday 7th, Valley of Fire Road Trip : Join Aaron for this driving and hiking tour of Valley of Fire State Park. Along the way we'll see numerous petroglyphs, a famous hideout at Mouse's Tank and an old movie set. Mod. 3 mi. *Limited space*

Sunday 8th; Corn Creek Spring Walk : Corn Creek Spring feeds three ponds at this headquarters of the Desert National Wildlife Refuge. It is a major bird watching area and prime habitat for aquatic plants and animals. Join Bob during the morning to observe creatures in a surprising setting. What is the history and future of this area? Easy, ½ mile. *Limited space.*

**The Bureau of Land Management does not assume responsibility for these programs including loss or injury on land outside of its jurisdiction.*

Remember to LEAVE NO TRACE®

Plan ahead and prepare

Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces

Dispose of Waste Properly

Leave what you find

Minimize Campfire impact

Respect Wildlife

Be Considerate of Other Visitors

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